

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of | : | Customer Number: 20277 |
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| Hiroyuki TAKAHASHI, et al. | : | Confirmation Number: 4838 |
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| Application No.: 10/722,126 | : | Group Art Unit: 1797 |
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| Filed: November 26, 2003 | : | Examiner: HANDY, Dwayne K. |
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| For: REAGENT VESSEL CAP AND METHOD FOR COLLECTING REAGENT | : | |

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2008 having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 25, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.